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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Smith

SUBJECT : General Reynold's "base study"

1. Bruce Clarke asked me to find out from General Reynolds and inform you of the nature and status of his "base study". In brief, General Reynolds and the CCPC were asked by the Director to identify and evaluate the intelligence losses which would ensue if we had access only to facilities in the US, [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] and to develop alternatives for compensating for such losses. The study has gone slowly, primarily because of problems in identifying and evaluating the information collected by NSA from its overseas facilities. General Reynolds has been prodding NSA, and expects to make more rapid headway in the next few months.

2. The State-Defense study of strategic bases in the light of developments in the next ten years will include intelligence facilities within its scope. John Bross has raised the question with the DDCI as to whether the input on intelligence facilities should not come from USIB, and Admiral Taylor believes that such input should come from the CCPC through USIB. Much of the information now being gathered by CCPC would be pertinent to such input.

3. Mr. Bross believes, therefore, that Bruce Clarke's contribution to the State-Defense study will be in the form of substantive intelligence, while General Reynolds and CCPC will furnish, through USIB and/or the Director, data on intelligence requirements and needs for overseas facilities. Mr. Bross will probably raise this matter at the Tuesday Morning Meeting.

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4. Both General Robert Wood, the director of the State-Defense study, and the Brigadier General who heads the staff of the study group, are old friends of General Reynolds, and, on instructions from Admiral Taylor, he will be discussing the study with them in the next few days. Both he and Mr. Bross are desirous that everyone concerned understand the respective roles of Bruce Clarke, on the one hand and General Reynolds and the CCPC on the other.

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cc: Mr. Bruce Clarke

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